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ASSAY SHOWS GOOD STUFF

Contract let to Sink Fifty Foot Shaft on the Property at Once

Messrs. H. G. Bedford and James Walker, who have been the leading spirits in the work of prospecting in the Pedernal mountains, east of the valley, have received an assay on some of their ore, from a Denver Assay House. The sample submitted assayed 25.40 ounces of copper to the ton, valued at \$62.04, which is indeed a splendid showing. Mr. Bedford at the same time sent a sample of ore taken from his Montezuma mine, about eight miles west of La Gran Quivira, which assayed gold .08 ounces, value \$1.60 per ton, silver 270.50 ounces, value \$132.25 and copper 10 per cent, value \$26.00 per ton. The total value of the mineral in a ton of the ore being \$162.85.

In the Pedernals about thirty claims have been staked and the district being named the Crystal Quartz. A contract has been let to sink a fifty-foot shaft, most of the funds for the same being already subscribed. Those taking the claims are determined to make a thorough test to find just what there is to the "strike." Their many friends hope that the result will be satisfactory, and that they really have "struck it rich."

"The Kingdom" and "Baptism."

Next Sunday the regular services will be held at the M. E. Church, conducted by the pastor. The morning subject will be "The Kingdom," while that of the evening will be "Baptism." Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

J. J. Watkins, the liveryman of Willard was in the county seat on business yesterday.

Misses Letha and Reba White and John McGillivray, of Lucia, were over last night attending the Catholic Ladies Ball.

Dr. and Mrs. V. S. Cheyney were up from Willard yesterday. Mrs. Cheyney visited with Mrs. L. A. Bond, an old-time friend.

Rev. J. R. Carver will preach next Sunday at the Baptist church at 11 o'clock, the service to be followed by a congregational meeting.

The annual meeting of the Rio Grande Presbytery, comprising almost one-third of New Mexico, will meet in Estancia, next Tuesday for a three days session.

Gen. Chas. F. Easley, president of the Brumback Realty, Insurance and Abstract Company, was down from Santa Fe yesterday, consulting with our farmers over their contract with the Irrigation Promoters.

Miss Lucile Fielder, who has been assistant postmistress here for some months, resigned her position yesterday. She has been interested in the real estate business for some time and will go back to the farm for a while at least. Miss Guinn has taken her place at the postoffice.

John Patrick Kennedy celebrated St. Patrick's day by taking a burro ride. After premeditating the sidewalks his steed carried him through one of the hotels. "Billy" Hardin was leader and driver combined.

Daughter Calls Father Home

W. H. Minerman of Denver Colorado, son-in-law of Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Mason, arrived here on the noon train Wednesday. He had received a dispatch Sunday from his daughter, to the effect that she had arrived at Estancia at 10 o'clock that day, and requested his presence here. He took the first train for Estancia, and after leaving the train here, he only touched the high places on the way to Dr. Mason's residence. All concerned are doing well, and Grandpa and Grandma Mason and Uncle Forrest are wearing the smile that won't rub off.

ESTANCIA FIRM MAKING SADDLES

The J. B. Williams Saddlery Company is the latest organization in Estancia, the same having been perfected this week. J. B. Williams and Geo. H. Miller have been running a tannery and saddlery a few miles southwest of town for the past year. During the past week they have sold an interest in the same to J. A. Lee and J. H. Marbell, the four partners choosing the name as above for the new organization, with Mr. Williams as general manager.

The new firm is prepared to take the raw hides, tan them into leather and make up the goods ready for the market, all completed, bearing the Estancia stamp. The success of the firm is already shown by the demand for the finished goods, Mr. Williams having shipped saddles and leather goods to various places in several states during the past year.

Supt. Reynolds dies on Train

J. W. Reynolds, superintendent of the territorial penitentiary, who has for the past year been troubled with valvular heart trouble, and who we are informed has been sinking rapidly since his participation in the ceremonies of the inauguration of Governor Mills, died on the Rock Island Limited Thursday evening about ten minutes before reaching this city. Mr. Reynolds was advised by Dr. Knapp, physician of the territorial penitentiary, who was also his family physician, that he must seek a lower altitude, and Mr. Reynolds accompanied by his family and his physician left Santa Fe Thursday morning en route to Kansas City, hoping the change would bring relief. Mr. Reynolds was a member of the Order of Elks and Dr. Knapp is the exalted ruler of the Santa Fe lodge, and on arrival here he at once notified the local lodge, which took charge of the body and had it embalmed and prepared for shipment, after which Mrs. Reynolds and Dr. Knapp accompanied it to Kansas City, where, we are informed, it will be cremated. — Tucumcari News.

E. C. Dryburg went to Duran yesterday on business connected with the Romero Lumber Company.

Rev. C. I. Walker went south yesterday to visit the churches at Mountainair, Mount Calvary and other points.

We are having lovely weather and but few farmers have been on our streets this week, as all are at work on the farm.

BILL BEFORE THE SENATE

Action will be Taken during the next month on Amended Senate Bill

Washington, D. C., Mar. 11. — The senate committee on territories today voted unanimously to report the statehood bill to the senate with a favorable recommendation.

Senator Beveridge, chairman of the committee, subsequently laid the bill before the senate and it went to the calendar.

The amendments that have been adopted will permit all citizens who have resided in the territories a year or more to vote for the ratification of the constitutions of the proposed states.

The Beveridge bill carried a six months' voting qualifications but the amendment making this one year, offered by Senator Dick was adopted.

Another important amendment sets aside a million acres of public land in each territory for the payment of county bonds, which have been specifically validated by acts of congress. The bill cannot be taken up in the senate until after the disposition of the administration railroad bill.

The land qualifications in the amended bill remain as in the house bill introduced by Hamilton for educational, charitable and penal institutions. For the payment of the bonds and interest of Santa Fe, Grant, Pima and Yavapai counties 1,000,000 acres is allowed, Arizona being granted a like amount.

The bill prohibits liquor on the Indian reservations for a period of 25 years.

No election shall be held to change the capital of either state until 1925.

The Arizona electors for the constitutional convention will be decided by the census as judged from the vote of 1908. All coming electors reaching 21 years of age in that state must be able to read a section of the constitution of the United States and sign their own names. — Tribune Citizen.

Report of Blaney School

Report of last month of Blaney School for the year. Number enrolled 27, average attendance 21.

The following names are on the Roll of Honor: Annie Averill, Harry Averill, Naomi Pugh, Leona Pugh, Charles Reed and Ethelyn Riley.

Mary Drury, Teacher.

E. Romero went to Vaughn Thursday to look after important business.

R. G. Hoberson left for Frederick, Oklahoma, yesterday on business for a week or two.

W. P. Comer has moved in from the farm and is occupying the Mountain View Rooming House.

Miss Edna Roberts came home from Mountainair on Wednesday morning, her term of school having closed on Tuesday.

Prof. T. N. Russell is a second St. Patrick, having been born on the 17th of March. To help him remember it about a dozen or more of the pupils arranged an outing at Antelope Springs yesterday, five miles north of Estancia. Dinner under the trees and a good time generally were a part of the program. Such affairs tend to pleasant memories for each one concerned.

MARIE GREEN WINS MEDAL

In W. C. T. U. Oratorical Contest at Willard last Monday Night

On Monday night an Oratorical Contest was held at Willard under the auspices of the Estancia W. C. T. U., the contestants being young ladies from Estancia. The affair was held at the Board of Trade Hall. Sunday School Superintendent Stephens of Willard introduced Mrs. Collier, president of the Estancia Union, who made a short talk concerning the work, which was followed by prayer by Mr. Stephens. The young ladies, Misses Myrtle Weaver, Goldie Short, Marie Green, Bessie and Edith Atkinson and Jeffie Duke, made their addresses. While the judges, Mrs. Harrison and Messrs. Kelly and Stephens were making their decision, Mrs. S. C. Nutter, president of the territorial Union, made an address. Pledge cards were passed around and a number of members secured for the Union. The medal for the winner of the contest was awarded to Miss Marie Green. On Tuesday the Willard W. C. T. U. was organized with a good list of members, which starts life under auspicious circumstances.

New School District

Mountainair, New Mexico, March 9th, 1910.

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Dear Sir: I have this day created school district number thirty six (36) with the following boundaries:

Commencing at the N. E. Corner of section one (1) T. 8 N., R. 9 E., thence running south three and one half (3 1/2) miles to the half section line of section twenty four (24) same township and range, thence west three (3) miles through sections twenty four (24), twenty three (23) and twenty two (22), to the west side of section twenty two (22) same township and range, thence north one half (1/2) mile to the S. W. corner of section fifteen (15) same township and range, thence west three (3) miles to the S. W. corner of section eighteen (18), same township and range, thence north three miles along the county line between Torrance and Bernalillo counties, and that portion of the Chilili grant situated in Torrance county to the N. W. corner of section six (6) T. 8 N., R. 8 E., thence east six miles to the place of beginning.

The above described district will be known as Buffalo Springs district number thirty six (36), Chas. L. Burt, County Supt. of Schools, Torrance Co., N. M.

Thomas Long and son, James, were in town Wednesday.

Mayor Van Stone went the limit to prove that he was an Irishman, yesterday. St. Patrick's day, by "wearing" o' the Green, but his name was against him.

S. W. Hightower was in from the ranch Wednesday of this week. He surprised the merchants by leaving town immediately after noon. One of our merchants suggested sending a physician to see that all was well with him. Probably the trouble is nothing more serious than that 'tater planting time is almost here, and Hightower is "Johnny on the spot" when 'taters are to be planted.

Mix Up with Wire Fence

Several of our towns people went to Willard Monday night to attend the W. C. T. U. Oratorical Contest. On account of the mirage or was it something in the translucent atmosphere in the vicinity of Willard, we cannot say, but the fact remained that on the return trip, some of the party became horribly mixed up with barbed wire fences, etc., and losing their way, were forced to spend the night as best they could in a deserted Mexican cabin, pretty generally soaked by the rain of course. They arrived home in the gray dawn of the morning after.

MAYOR VAN STONE IMPROVES HOME

Mayor C. H. Van Stone is taking the lead in the matter of making his home look more beautiful. He has added a coat of plaster to the interior walls and is having the board fence removed, preparatory to building an adobe wall around the lots. Compost has been taken from the back yard and spread over the ground in front of the house, preparatory to seeding a lawn. A gasoline engine will be installed over the well, and a metal tank, five feet in diameter and eight feet high, is to be placed on a high trestle. With this he will not only be able to water his lawn, and supply his kitchen and bathroom with running water, but also irrigate a garden back of the house. A brick outhouse with cement-lined vault is to be built, all thoroughly sanitary. When the mayor gets these things completed he will invite the citizens of Estancia around to give them an object lesson in "clean-up-your-premises." Mrs. Van Stone and the children will return week after next to keep the mayor company.

Irrigationists Incorporate

The Estancia Valley Irrigation Company has filed its articles of incorporation in the office of Secretary Jaffa, the capitalization being \$1,170,000 divided into 26,000 shares of \$45.00 per share. The incorporators are: Lucius Knight, Fred H. Ayers, H. G. Souders, A. J. Green, Thomas Long, J. M. Shaw, R. O. Soper, William McIntosh and W. W. Wagner.

A number of our farmers have signed up for the stock and it now appears that the irrigation scheme is a sure thing. A large number have secured desert filings on land northeast of Estancia and expect to secure the water for its reclamation by taking stock in the Irrigation Company.

Cuts His Hand

Hipolito Montoya met a serious accident on Tuesday of this week at the Romero Planing Mills, when he caught the fingers of the right hand in the planer. The first finger was almost severed a short distance from the end, while the other fingers of the hand were badly cut. An attempt is being made to save the fingers without amputation, but it may be a portion of the first finger will have to be removed.

Notice.

J. A. Bivins will teach bookkeeping, commencing in a week or ten days, at the Christian Church. Every one interested please investigate. 21-1f

TO OKLAHOMA TO PRISON

Governor Honors Requisition for Tucker, wanted for Manslaughter

Dowdy Tucker, who has been at the Territorial Penitentiary for safekeeping on indictments in the district court of this county on charges of arson and highway robbery, is at present occupying a position behind the bars of the Oklahoma Penitentiary. On Monday of this week, Governor Mills honored requisition papers of Governor Haskell, and Sheriff Wright of Jefferson County, Oklahoma, took his prisoner back with him. It seems that Tucker was convicted of manslaughter some time since, filed his appeal to the supreme court of Oklahoma, but failed to perfect the same. The supreme court affirmed the decision of the lower court, but when the officers went for their man, he was not to be found. His bondsmen traced him to New Mexico with the result that he will serve four years behind the scenes.

It will be remembered that the grand jury at its recent session here, returned indictments against him along with several others, for the robbery of the home of Epifanio Vijil near Progresso, and also for an attempt to burn the store of McCoy & Company at Mountainair. After he completes his four year term in Oklahoma, he may be brought back here to give an account of his doings.

Hit With a Brick

L. E. Hatley, while unloading brick for the courthouse Wednesday was struck on the side of the face by a brick causing a painful bruise. He was looking down as he was placing the brick in the wagon, and Mr. Campbell, who was pitching the brick from the car, was looking in another direction at the time, hence the accident.

Lake View

We had a nice rain one night this week.

Oscar Kemp was in town one day last week.

Irrigation is the talk of our neighborhood now.

John Bilsing planted some garden stuff this week.

George Alter visited the family of Chas. Cornell last Sunday.

N. A. Wells visited his niece, Mrs. Chas. Cornell, last week.

Roland and Park Senter and Ruby Kirk are on the sick list this week.

Miss Emma Kirk is visiting her sister, Mrs. Oscar Pollard, west of town.

W. N. Lee, of this neighborhood, talks of planting Irish potatoes next week.

A. M. Parrett and wife have moved to Miss Emma Parrett's place west of the railroad.

I. T. Collier and family enjoyed a nice supper with Miss Emma Kirk in her little 8x10 claim house one evening last week.

The Temperance lecture by Mr. J. S. Connor, which was advertised for next Tuesday evening, March 22, at the M. E. church has been postponed for one week until March 29th, on account of the meeting of the Rio Grande Presbytery on the 22nd, which would prevent some from attending the lecture.

Mrs. J. A. Childers sold a bunch of Lombardy poplar trees this week, grown on their own farm north of Estancia. They stuck the switches in the ground applied water, and the trees made a fine growth.